



## GYPSY MOTH IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD FREE Educational Webinar Tuesday, February 23, 2021 1–2 PM

Gypsy moths (*Lymantria dispar*) were imported into North America in the mid1800's in a failed attempt to produce silk. They have since naturalized to the climate and over the last 150 years have spread across the northeastern United States and Canada. Gypsy moths have been found in Michigan since the 1980's. Efforts to control and suppress gypsy moths have been underway in Macomb County since 1992 and for over 30 years in Michigan and the U.S.

After a ten-year hiatus, this pest returned in 2019 with significant acreage infested throughout the state. This invasive species can cause tree decline and death, loss of property value, and can be a nuisance for homeowners and residents. Fall surveys found both an increase community infested and number of spray blocks and acres qualifying for the program.

MSU Extension is offering a webinar 'Gypsy Moth in Your Neighborhood' to learn more about the history, life cycle, identification, and management strategies to help save the trees near your home. The webinar via Zoom will be held on Tuesday, February 23 from 1 -2 PM. **This FREE program is open to everyone but pre-registration is required.** 

Register at: https://events.anr.msu.edu/gypsymoth2021/

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